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To the royal Academy of Surgery at Paris.

Gentlemen.



Great is the reputation which the royal Academy of Surgery at Paris has deservedly acquired in great Britain, as well as throughout every other part of Europe, for the many Improvements with which they have favoured the world in that Science. This, together with the Lustre which its Members have thrown upon so noble and usefull a Branch of Literature, created in me a strong desire of being known to them; ardent have been my wishes therefore that I were capable of producing some memoir worthy of their acceptance. The favourable reception which my Essay on the art of making anatomical preparations by Corrosion has met with from their Candor, gratifies my Ambition, & fills me with sentiments of the highest Esteem and warmest gratitude. I return them my most hearty thanks for the Condescension they have shewn me, in signifying their Approbation of this performance, & their acceptance of it, from the favourable report ~~which has been~~ made of it by the learned Mons<sup>r</sup>. Née, <sup>on account of</sup> and which has been transmitted to me by the very celebrated Mons<sup>r</sup>. Morand Secretary to the Academy. The proposed publication of it under the auspices of this illustrious Body, which he has mentioned to me in his Letter of April the 1<sup>st</sup>, I look upon as a mark of their particular Indulgence. I submit to the Wisdom of this Academy to dispose of it, as to them shall seem best, AND acknowledge that the publication of it by their Authority will afford me a peculiar satisfaction, as the suffrage of so learned a Society to one of my first Essays will encourage me to prosecute other usefull

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Subjects of medical Inquiry with the closest Attention.  
I remain, with the greatest Attachment to the Academy, & the  
utmost respect.

Gentlemen

Rome May 19. 1764.

Your most obedient  
& most humble Servant

John Morgan.